

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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FROM: DPSS-Dept. of Community Action

SUBMITTAL DATE:
7/29/04

SUBJECT: Approval of Agreement #04F-4511 with the Department of Community Services and Development for the 2004 Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

That the Board of Supervisors approve and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign Agreement #04F-4511 between the Department of Community Services and Development (CSD) and the Department of Public Social Services-Department of Community Action (DPSS-DCA) to fund the 2004 Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan for Riverside County at risk, low-income households, not to exceed \$100,000.

BACKGROUND:

In 2002, CSD provided DPSS-DCA \$120,000 in funding to distribute utility funds, provide generators, and disseminate solar powered/battery operated flashlight/radio combinations to avert heat related problems in Riverside County. In 2003, DPSS-DCA submitted a Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan to CSD requesting discretionary funding to provide the same and additional services to low-income priority populations (elderly, disabled, families with children under 2 years, migrant, and working poor individuals and families) and was awarded \$150,000.

Lois J. Carson
Lois J. Carson, Executive Director

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current F.Y. Total Cost:	\$ 0	In Current Year Budget:	Yes
	Current F.Y. Net County Cost:	\$ 0	Budget Adjustment:	No
	Annual Net County Cost:	\$ 0	For Fiscal Year:	FY 04/05

SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% Federal	Positions To Be Deleted Per A-30	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Requires 4/5 Vote	<input type="checkbox"/>

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE

County Executive Office Signature

Rhonda King

- Policy
- Consent
- Dep't Recomm.:
- Policy
- Consent
- Per Exec. Ofc.:

Prev. Agn. Ref.: | **District:** All | **Agenda Number:**

**ATTACHMENTS FILED
WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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BACKGROUND (Cont.):

Again this year, DPSS-DCA submitted a Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan to CSD to request discretionary funding in support of the same type of activities. CSD has approved this request and is providing \$100,000 in 2004 Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Discretionary funds to DPSS-DCA to provide a variety of services to low-income households. Households to receive Energy Crisis benefits would be identified through DPSS-DCA Programs and Community Based Organizations. The 2004 Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan would include activities over and above the programs currently provided by DPSS-DCA. The components would include energy efficient equipment such as generators, portable evaporative coolers, solar-powered motion sensor security lights, personal emergency first aid/survival kits, and county-wide Cool Centers. A Form 11 for approval of these activities and purchases was submitted to the Board for approval in advance of the receipt of the documents to work within the County Purchasing guidelines and was expected to appear on the August 10, 2004 Board Agenda.

In 2002, DPSS-DCA implemented the innovative concept of a Cool Center, based on a model from Missouri. A Cool Center is a place (e.g. a senior center) that people can go to during the hottest part of the day to stay cool. Riverside County was the first county in California to implement this type of respite from the heat. The State was overwhelmingly supportive, funded this component in 2002 and 2003, and again in 2004.

Therefore, the Director of DPSS-DCA requests the Board approve the Agreement between CSD and DPSS-DCA for the 2004 Summer Energy Crisis Response Plan, not to exceed \$100,000.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: No County General Funds will be required.

CONCUR/EXECUTE: County Counsel

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